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## **LETTER**

Sir:

This paper replies to the "Missing Parts" notice dated September 11, 2000 and applicants advise the Patent Office that the "Oath or Declaration" was not missing from the filing of the above-identified patent application.

This was confirmed to the undersigned attorney on November 1, 2000 during a telephone conference call I had with Mr. Vernon Towler of the U.S.

Patent Office (703-308-1202). Mr. Towler checked the PTO's "Microfilm Records" of what was filed and confirmed that the application as filed, did indeed contain a copy of the Declaration (which was part of the original parent U.S. Patent).

Thus, the Declaration is not missing from the PTO's file records and therefore, no \$130 surcharge fee is due.

Kindly thus withdraw your "Formalities Letter dated 09/11/2000".

Respectfully submitted,

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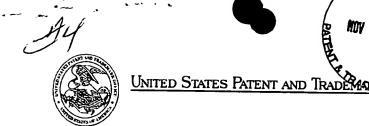
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
   A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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